

### **REMARKS**

A Notice of Allowance was mailed on April 2, 2007. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed along with this Preliminary Amendment to cancel the allowed claims and to present new apparatus claims herein. The new apparatus claims are substantially similar to the previously allowed method claims but written in means plus function format. As a result of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-23 are canceled, and new claims 24-40 are presented herein for examination.

### **CONCLUSION**

In view of above, Assignee submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Therefore consideration of this Response and allowance of the application are respectfully solicited. If the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at (303) 495-3700 to expeditiously resolve such issues.

Respectfully submitted,  
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